

Title: COURAGEOUS DEEDS

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Chapter One: The tale of Kosric and Pedigar

The brothers Kosric and Pedigar sailed with the original expedition to Serpent Isle, when the land was more unknown and mysterious than it is today. Each brother was the Lord of one of the two Montors on Sosaria, and, not content to settle for Lord British's uncompromising and misguided rule, convinced their people to set sail with the mages of Moon and the people of Fawn to the new land.

Lost in the history books of the other two cities, however, is the tale of what happened when the tired sojourners first set foot on this new land.

The leader, a mage who went by the name Erstam (it surely could not be the same mad Erstam who performs intolerable experiments today), was given the honor of stepping first on Serpent Isle. It was then up to the leaders of the individual groups to decide who would next trod upon the unknown isle.

Kosric and Pedigar claimed the right, as their group were the finest warriors among them. The Fawngroup claimed it also, arguing that their beauty should mingle with the beauty of

the new island before anyone else. The Moonshadian mages, being untrustworthy, teleported themselves onto the island while the other two groups were engaged in discussion, stealing the honor. The greatest honor gone, the Fawnese and Monitorians descended the gangplank together. The Moonshadians scattered themselves like the four winds before they could be reprimanded, and the Fawnese ran to explore the beauty of the island.

At that moment, emerging from the hills and woodlands, trolls began an assault on the intrepid band. Were it not for Kosric and Pedigar and their Monitorian soldiers, the expedition would have failed then and there, for the Fawnese and Moonshadians were caught unawares. However, the two launched themselves at the foes, Kosric wielding his hammer, "Thunderbolt," and Pedigar with his greatsword, and brought doom upon the foul trolls.

When the battle was over, a score of courageous Monitorians lay dead beside the bodies of twice that number of trolls. Let it not be forgotten, brave Monitorian, that it was thine ancestors who led the way for all civilized life on this island.